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Business & Work Idioms

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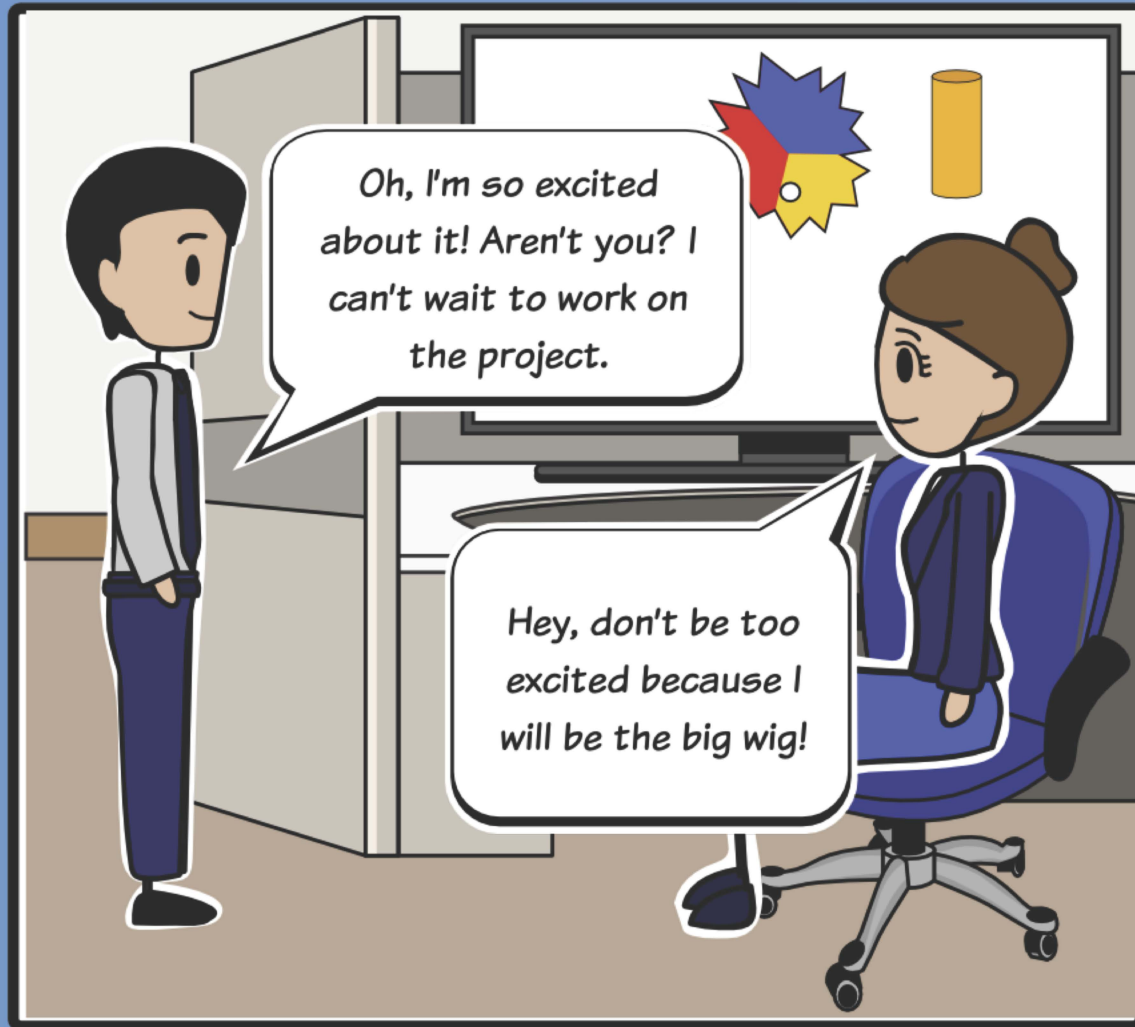
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- Lemon: A defective product or anything that doesn't work.



- Think outside the box: to think in different ways.



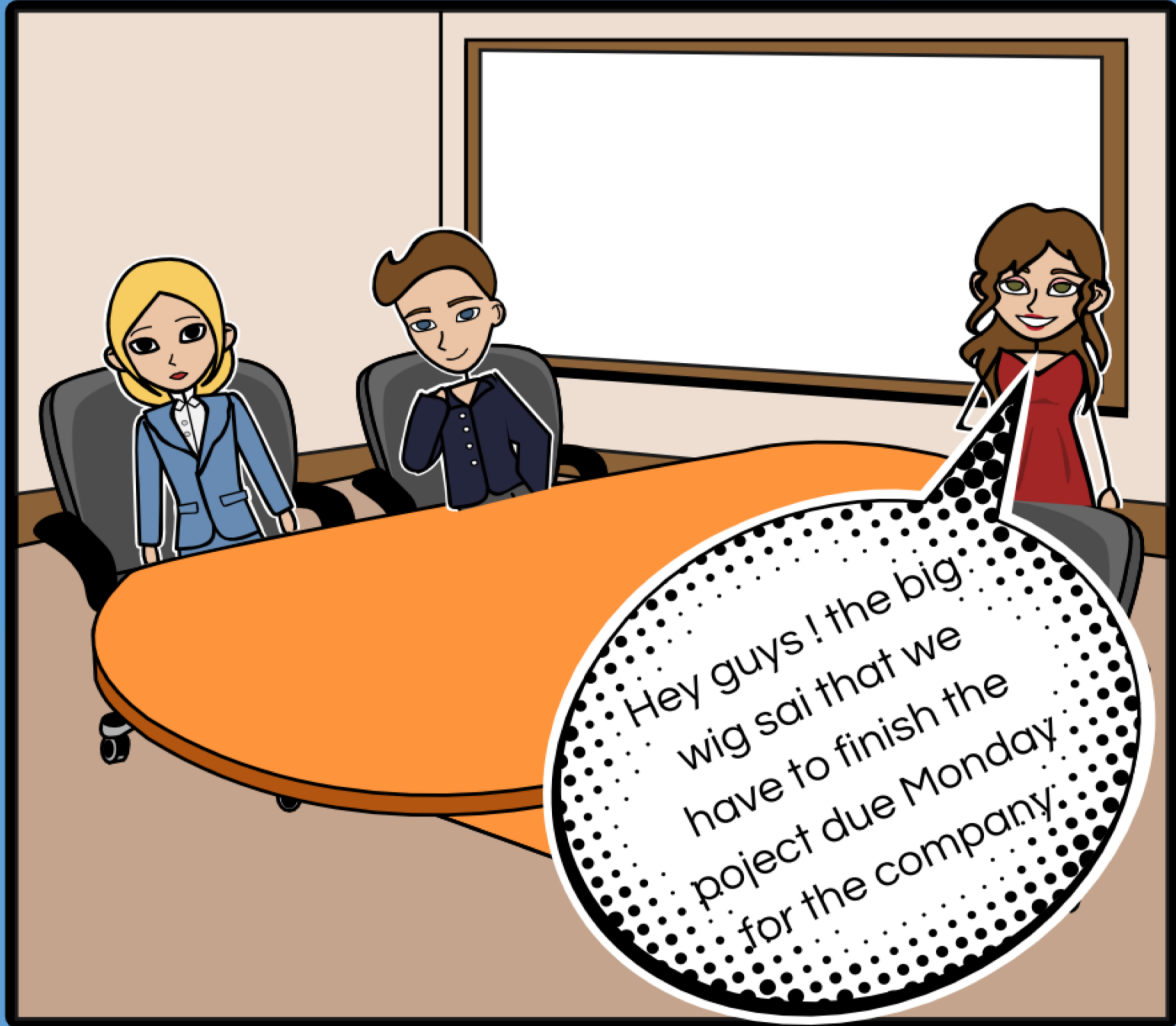
- The big wig: An important, powerful or famous person.

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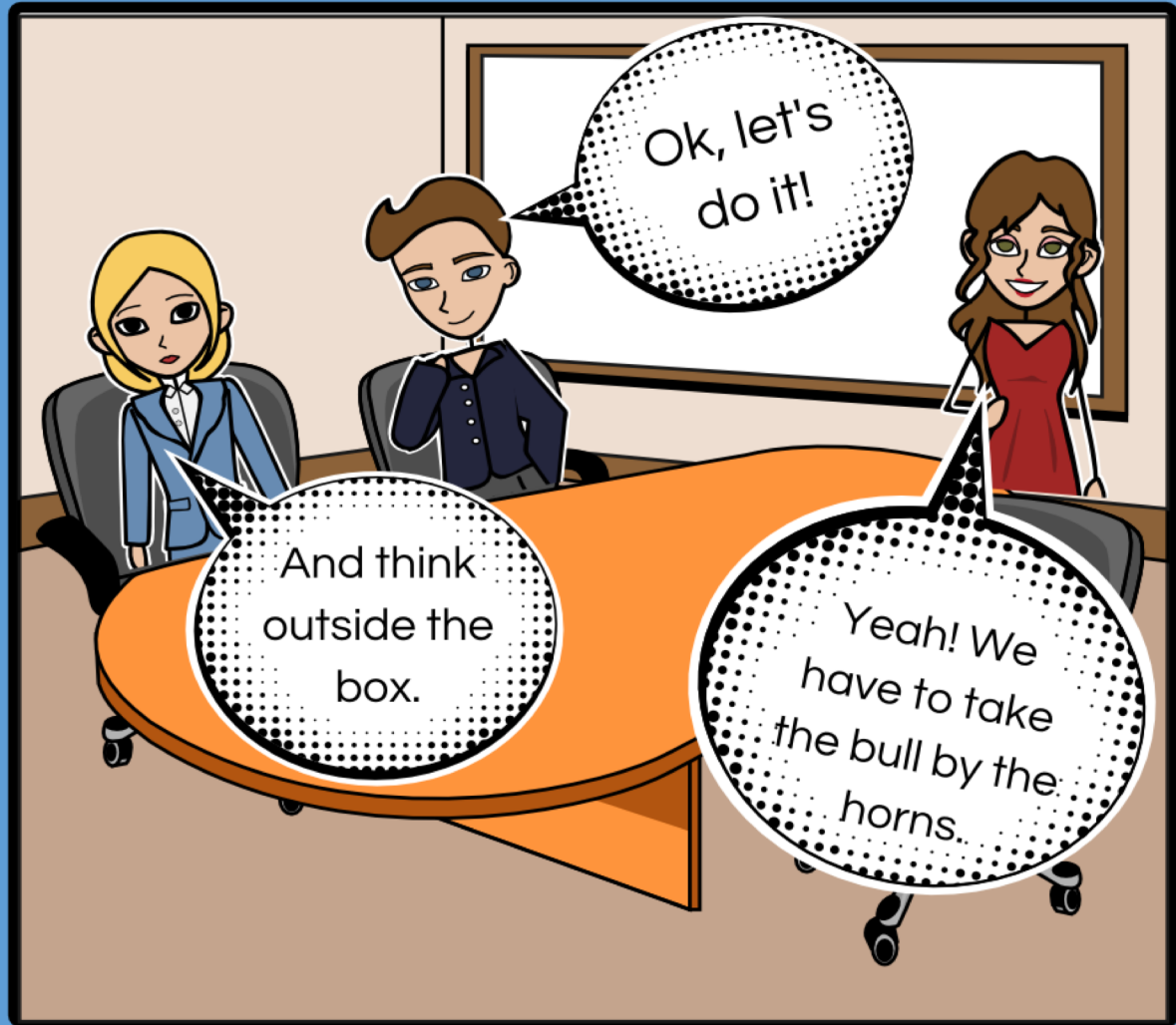
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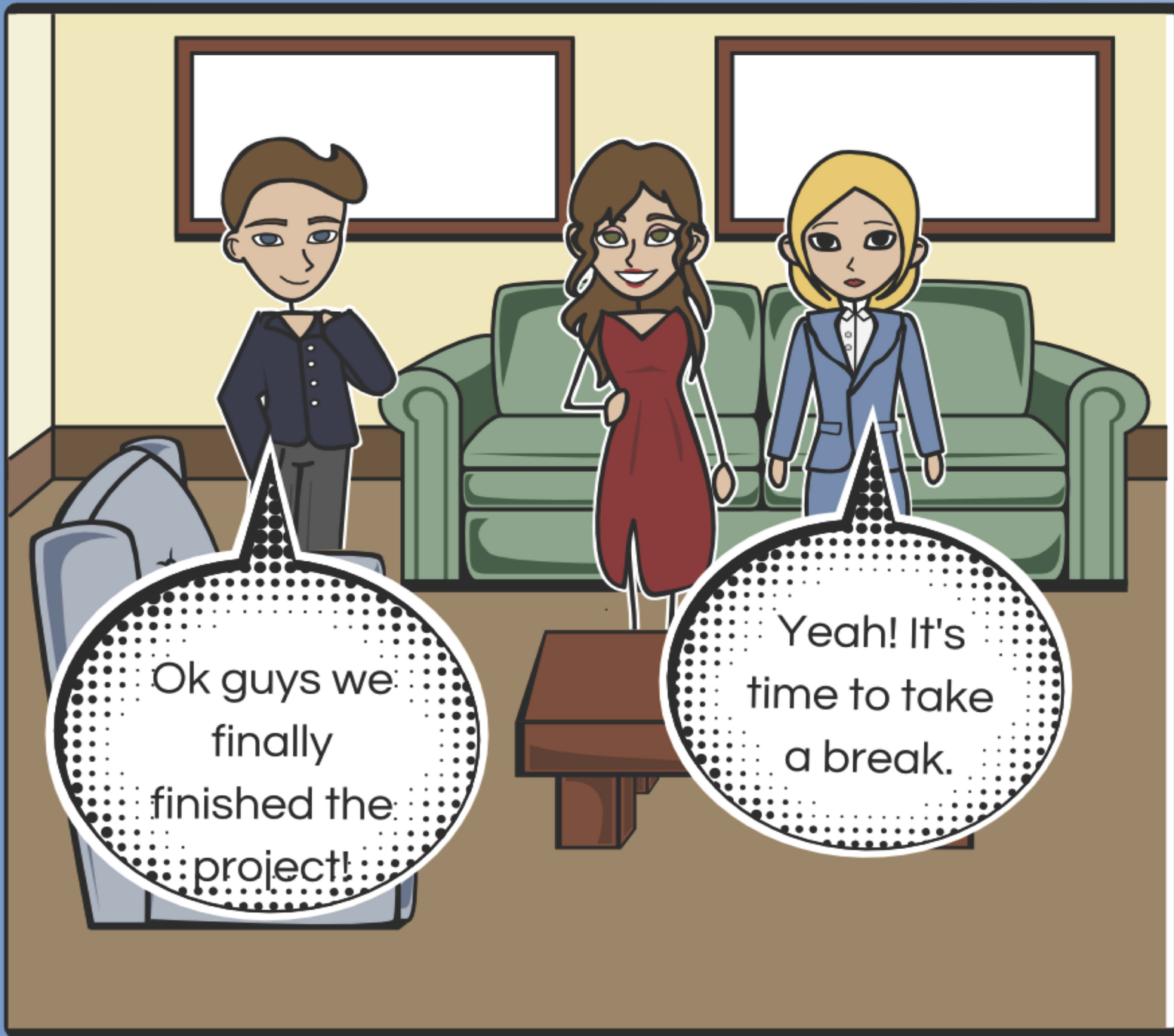
- Big wig: An important person or famous person.



- Throw in the towel:
to quit; to give up to something

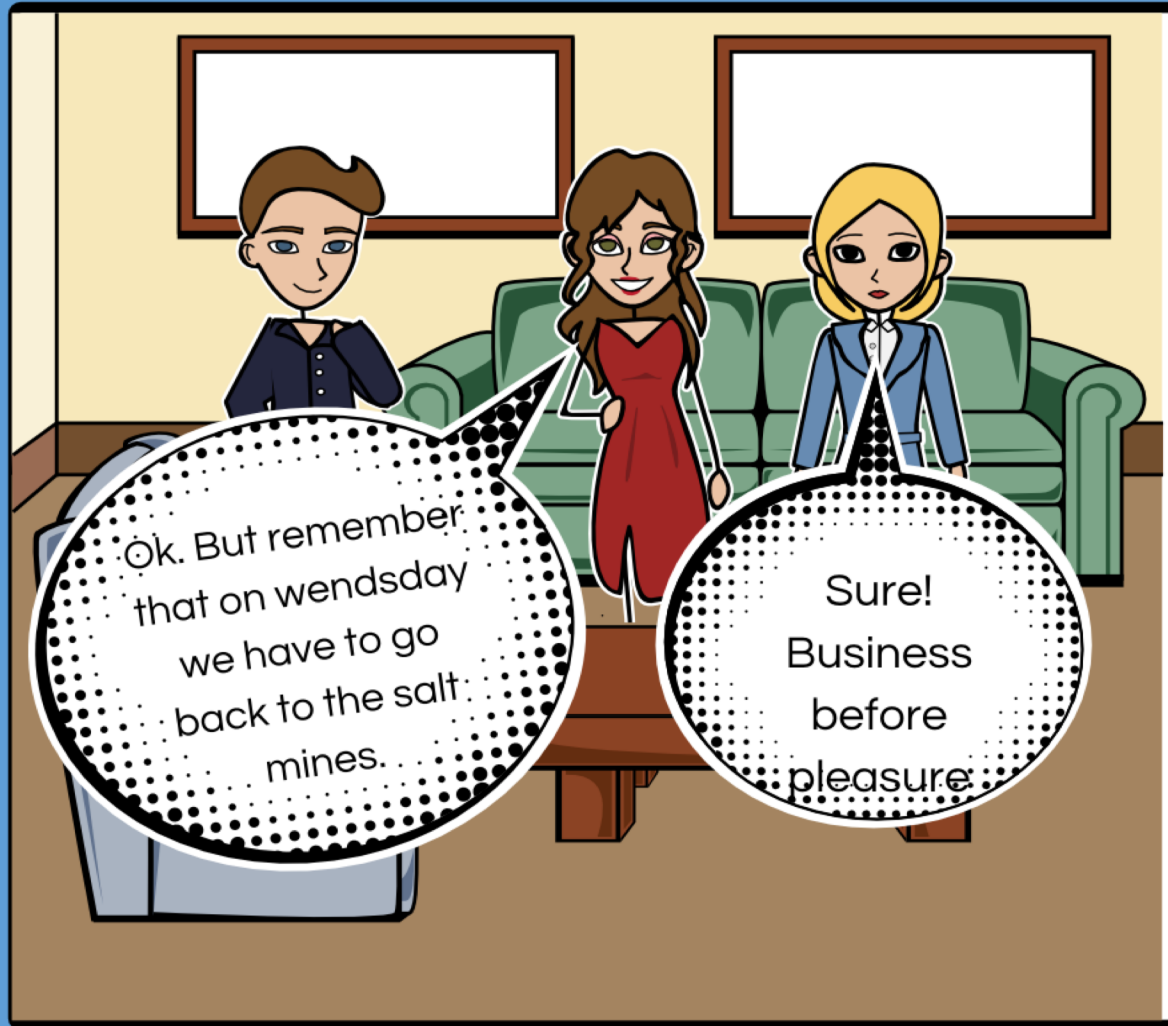


- Take the bull by the horns: To deal with a problem directly and resolutely ; to confront a problem or challenge.
- Think outside the box: To think creatively;; to approach a situation or problem in a new way.



Ok guys we finally finished the project!

Yeah! It's time to take a break.



- Back to the salt mines: humorous way of talking about returning to work, usually with some reluctance.
- Business before pleasure: This expression means that it is considered preferable to finish one's work before going to relax and enjoy oneself.

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- Co-workers are talking about their boss.



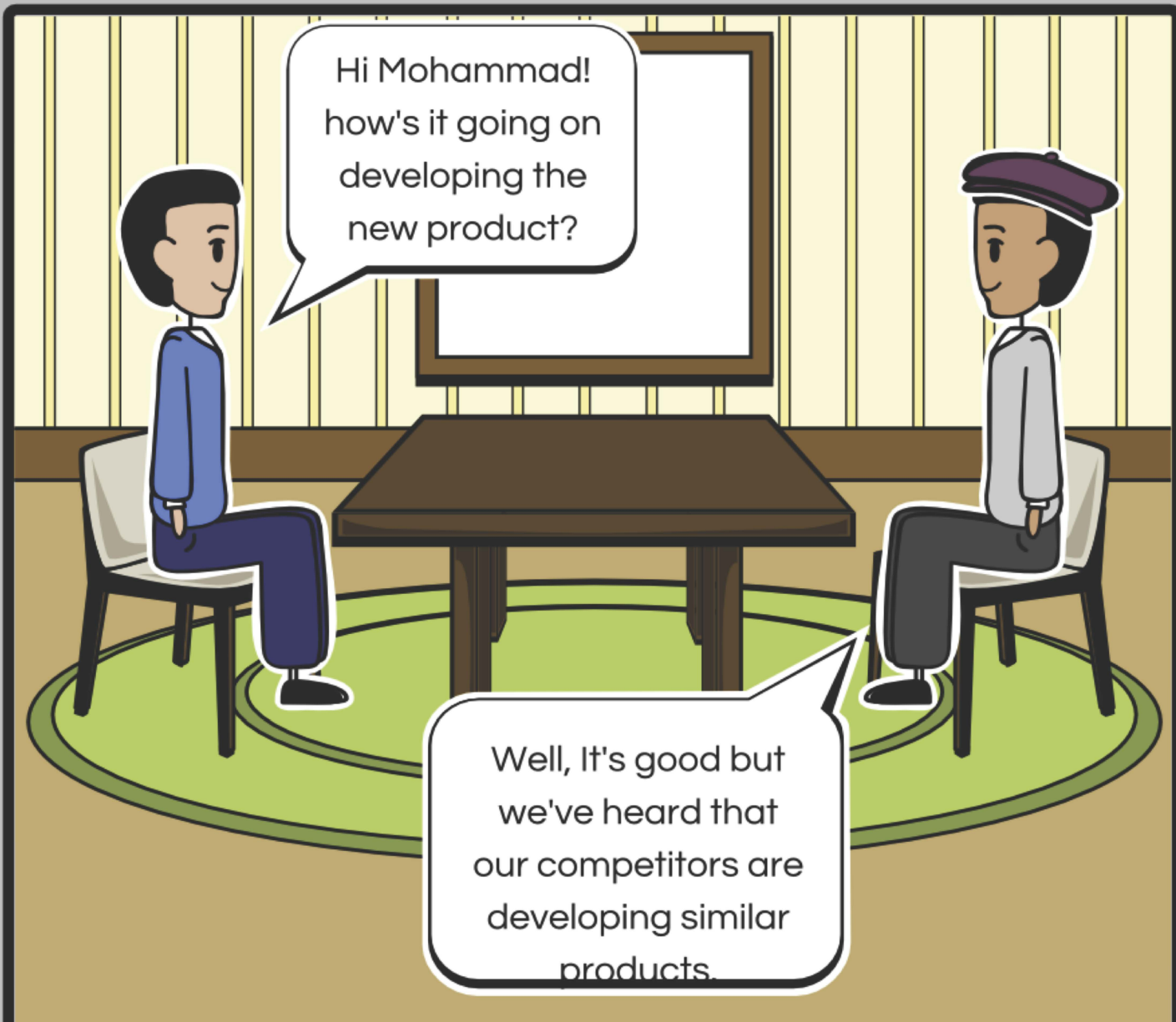
- **Big Wig**: An important, powerful or famous person.
- **Lemon**: A defective product, or anything that doesn't work very well; something which breaks constantly.



- **Bite the hand that feeds you:** To be ungrateful, to turn against your family or employer or other supporters.
- **Tomorrow is another day:** that even if everything is not satisfactory at present, there will be opportunity for things to improve.

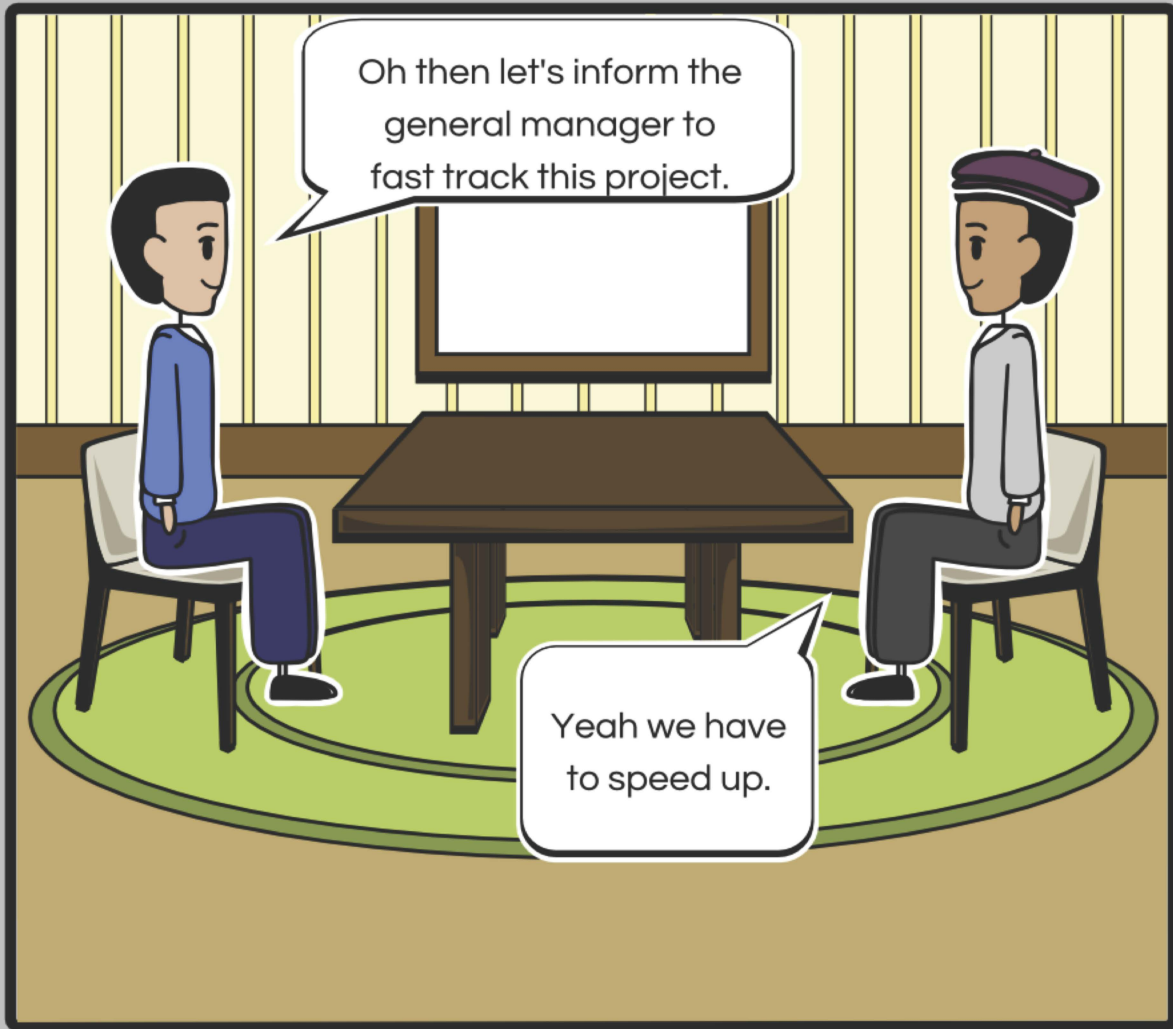
Idiom Dialog

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Hi Mohammad!
how's it going on
developing the
new product?

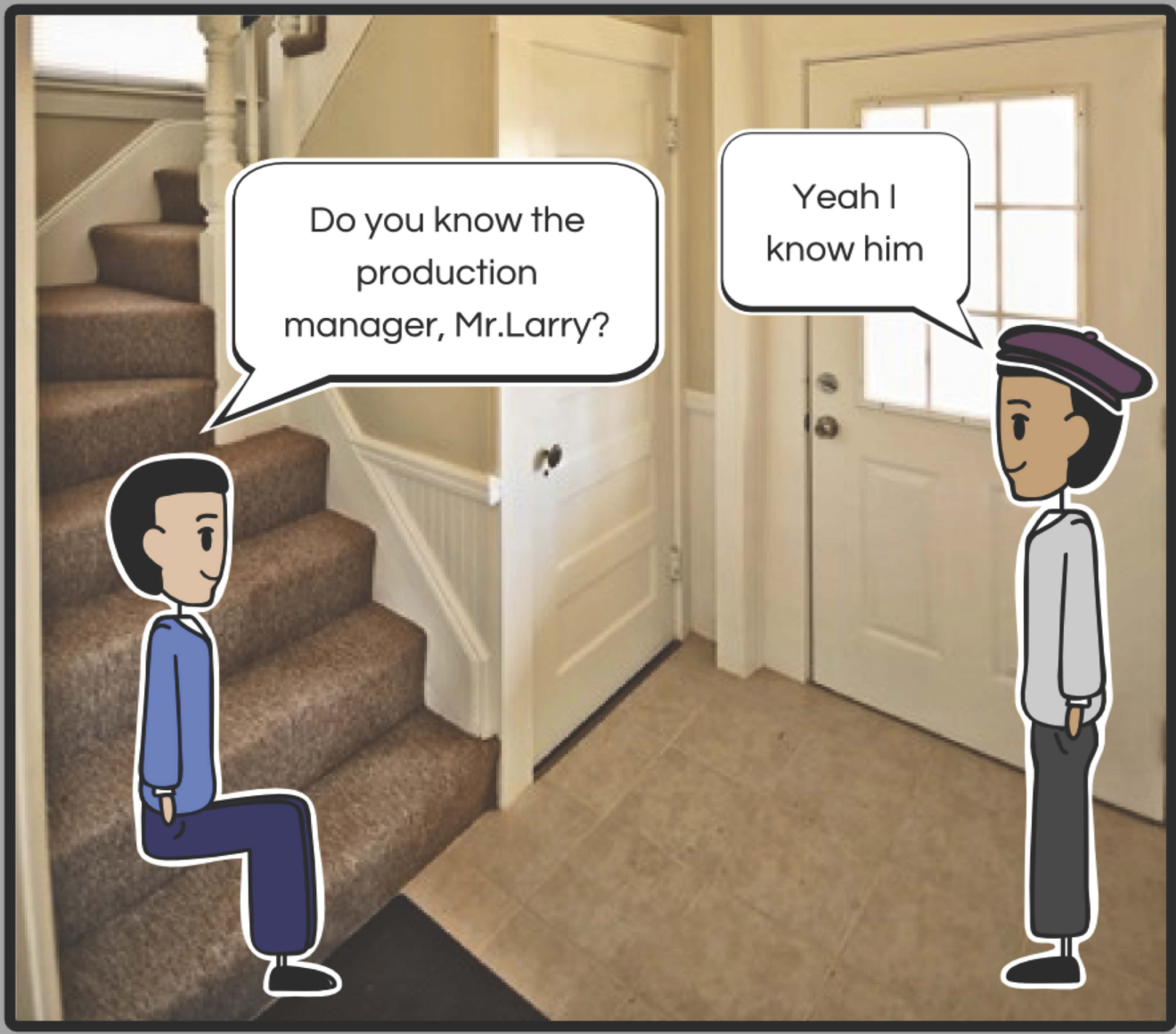
Well, It's good but
we've heard that
our competitors are
developing similar
products.



- **Fast track a project:** To make a project a high priority, to speed up the time frame of a project

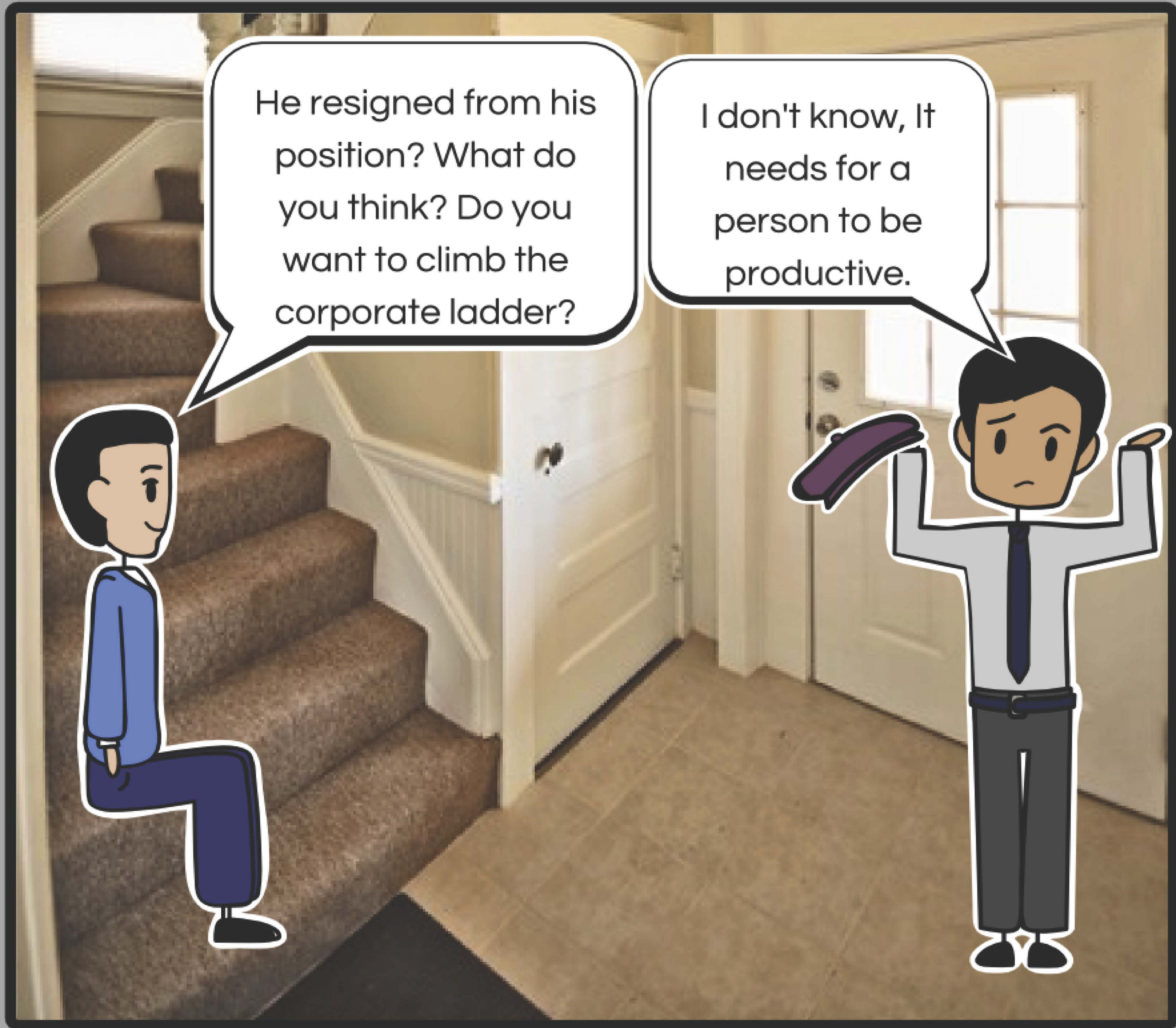


- **Drum up business:** To create business, to find new customers



Do you know the production manager, Mr.Larry?

Yeah I know him



- **Climb the corporate ladder:** Advance in one's career, the process of getting promoted and making it to senior management.